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1. General. The Saudi Press and Radio continued coverage of major international events drawing on various news agencies particularly UPI, AP and Reuters. Following are main items thus covered: 1) President Johnson's speech before the UNGA; 2) UNEF to stay for another year in the Middle East; 3) Racial discrimination riot in Moscow; 4) The seriousness of the situation in South Arabia; 5) Syria and Israel exchange prisoners; 6) An American student is arrested for reportedly threatening to assassinate President Johnson. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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2. English Page in Local Paper. By far, the most dramatic press technical achievement was publication within al-Bilad Arabic newspaper on Sunday, December 22nd, of an English language section entitled, "The Sunday Special". This consisted of one section on world news briefs, another on news of Saudi Arabia, a third entitled "Sunday Chat" designed to be weekly interview with a prominent foreigner living in Saudi Arabia. First such interview was with Mr. Anwar Ali, a Pakistani, who is the Director of SAMA. Mr. Ali gave high praise to Saudi Arabia's economic and financial positions and to Prince Faysal's leadership of the country towards reform and advancement. In spite of USIS/Jidda's technical advice, the first "rush" issue of the "Sunday Special" came out with a few upside down titles. However, within an hour, these were corrected. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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